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[illegible]25X11. Ammunition Depots

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- a. Powayen (Z46): working at full capacity; produces naval ammunition.
- b. Blumensen (Z46): produces army ammunition (including field artillery ammunition).
- c. Goller Wald: produces high-caliber army ammunition.
- d. Large amounts of ammunition, chiefly heavy-caliber naval, are stored at railroad stations and along railroad lines in Samland, especially near Krsbau.

2. Coastal Defenses

- a. The former Wehrmacht coastal defenses in Samland and on the Frische and Kurische Nehrung have been repaired.
- b. The defenses at Pillau have been increased and all the former Wehrmacht defenses have been repaired. Fort Stiehle, at Pillau, contains very heavy artillery. The heavy coastal defense troops between Pillau and Fischhausen, particularly in the Lochstädt area, are ready for action.
- c. As the whole of Samland is a defense area, very little agricultural work is undertaken. All bunkers have been repaired and the Frische and Kurische Nehrung have been evacuated of civilians, with the exception of fishermen at Sarkan (Z79) and Cranz (Z69).
- d. All defenses at Brandenburg (Z55) have been repaired; barracks have also been repaired. Coast artillery and tanks are located here.
- e. Fischhausen (Z36) is strongly garrisoned, particularly by coast artillery.
- f. Pillau and Kaliningrad are now jointly supporting key defense points. All defenses between the two cities have been repaired, especially on the Galtgarben (Z57). A line of bunkers, full of ammunition and equipment

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again runs north-south across Samland, along the Galtgarben hills.

- g. The fuel dump at Galtgarben is in full use, and the former Wehrmacht buildings have been repaired. Much aviation gas is held at this dump and Soviet Air Force bombers supply the field in Samland from this point.

3. Order of Battle

- a. The Samland Kommandantur, formerly at Granz, is now located in Lauth (276).
- b. All Samland is garrisoned by defense troops. There are no front-line formations.
- c. The Soviet garrison in Kaliningrad is stronger than the strongest Wehrmacht pre-war garrison, which was composed of approximately one division of front-line troops. The troops are chiefly motorized and are equipped with small tractors.

4. Economic Information

- a. The following are the only factories in operation in Kaliningrad:
- Zellstoff AG - Wood
 - Walzmühle - Foodstuffs
 - Steinfurt Waggonbau - Tank repairs and orders in connection with defenses.
 - Schichau Yards - Construction of small warships. Torpedo boats were seen here recently for the first time.
- b. The following railroad lines have been converted to Russian-gauge:
- Kaliningrad-Pillau
 - Kaliningrad-Granz: converted in May and June 1947
 - Granz-Neukuhren (259): conversion began in May 1947
- c. It is reported that the railroad lines now being converted to Russian gauge are the remainder of the line around Samland (the "Samlandküstenbahn" built by the Germans in 1938), the Neukuhren-Brustorf (239)-Palanicken (238), and the Palanicken-Fischhausen lines. All of these are single-track lines.
- d. All important road and rail bridges in Samland have been repaired. Roads are in poor condition, but railroads are in a good state of repair.
- e. The road and rail swing-bridge over the Pregel River in Kaliningrad (the only rail bridge over the Pregel in the city) is being repaired on a permanent basis.

5. Air Activity

- a. There has been extensive air activity over Samland recently. Former German Air Force planes are used for training purposes, while the operational aircraft are Soviet planes. The few four-motor planes are chiefly used as transports.

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b. Airfields

Kaliningrad/Devau	Many twin-engine jet fighters observed in flight
Brdsterort	Fighters
Goldschmiede (267)	Training
Prowehren	Training
Seerappen	Former airship station; now repair base
Neuhausen	Bombers
Powunden	Fighters
Pillau/Neutief	Airfield and seaplane station; used by Soviet Air Force. The runways have been lengthened. Pillau field, on the eastern edge of the town, has become a marsh.

- c. The only aircraft observed in use in exercises in the Quanz Parachutist Training Area were two-motor planes, similar to German Air Force bombers. Six men jumped from each plane, from an altitude of several hundred meters. One parachute, bearing a maximum of two to three hundredweight of equipment, was also released from each plane. No heavy equipment, such as guns, was dropped.

6. Naval Activity

- a. No dredging is being carried out in the Kaliningrad Seekanal. There were no ice-breakers available in the winter.
- b. No major warships put in at Kaliningrad. The heaviest vessels in the area were those of 5,000 tons.
- c. Pillau Harbor has been completely repaired and is used to fullest capacity. There is extensive naval activity in the harbor, where U-boats are stationed.

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